

Patterson Farm Pumpkin & Strawberry Tours Common Core Standards for First Grade

Language Arts

RL.1.3 - Describe characters, settings, and major events in a story, using key details.

RL.1.9 - Compare and contrast the adventures and experiences of characters in stories.

W.1.8- With guidance and support from adults, recall information from experiences or gather information from provided sources to answer a question.

SL.1.3 - Ask and answer questions about what a speaker says in order to gather additional information or clarify something that is not understood.

Suggestions: Read a book/books prior to visit about pumpkins or strawberries and have students describe the characters, settings, and major events of the story using details. This can be done verbally or students could draw a picture or create a storyboard. (See book list) Compare and contrast two stories. Provide students with 2-4 questions to ask the presenter at Patterson Farms during the pumpkin or strawberry tour. Have students share questions/answers upon returning to school.

Science

Essential Standard 1.L.2- Summarize the needs of living organisms for energy and growth.

Clarifying Objective 1.L.2.1- Summarize the basic needs of a variety of different plants (including air, water, nutrients, and light) for energy and growth.

Clarifying Objective 1.L.2.2- Summarize the basic needs of a variety of different animals (including air, water, and food) for energy and growth.

Suggestions: At Patterson Farms, students will have the opportunity to observe pumpkins/strawberries of many different sizes, shapes, textures, and colors. Students will discuss the process of growing pumpkins/strawberries and what is needed to grow healthy, fruitful plants. Students will also visit and feed the farm animals. Students will discuss what is needed to care for the animals to keep them healthy.

Pumpkin & Strawberry Related Books

Too Many Pumpkins by Linda White

The Biggest Pumpkin Ever by Steven Kroll

It's Pumpkin Time by Zoe Hall

Pumpkins by Mary Lyn Ray

The Pumpkin Book by Gail Gibbons

Pumpkin Circle The Story of a Garden by George Levenson

I'm a Seed by Jean Marzollo

Big Pumpkin by Erica Silverman

The Little Mouse, The Red Ripe Strawberry, and The Big Hungry Bear by Audrey Wood

Molly and the Strawberry Day by Pam Conrad

Strawberry Girl by Lois Lenski

Jamberry by Bruce Degen

The First Strawberries by Joseph Bruchac

The Grey Lady and the Strawberry Snatcher by Molly Bang

Website Resources

The Pumpkin Patch- (games, songs, poems, books etc.) <http://www.kinderkorn.com/pumpkin-patch.html>

Teacher Resources on Pumpkins- <http://mrskilburnkiddos.wordpress.com/thematic-units/pumpkins/>

Pumpkin Clipart- <http://www.backyardgardener.com/pump1.html>

Pumpkin Lifecycle Cards- <http://printables.atozteacherstuff.com/1292/pumpkin-life-cycle-sequencing-cards/>

Pumpkin Unit- http://www.swarthmore.edu/SocSci/Education/Portfolios/nkremer1/pumpkin_unit.html

Strawberry Lesson- <http://www.teachervision.fen.com/skill-builder/lesson-plan/48712.html>

Activities with Strawberries- <http://www.kidsparkz.com/strawberries.html>

Strawberryville- <http://www.strawberryville.com/>

Strawberry Arts & Crafts-<http://www.preschooleducation.com/astrawberry.shtml>

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